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§ 3107.5-3 Undeveloped parts of producing leases.

Undeveloped parts of leases retained or assigned out of leases which are extended by production, actual or suspended, or the payment of compensatory royalty shall continue in effect for 2 years after the effective date of assignment and for so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities.

§ 3107.6 Extension of reinstated leases.

Where a reinstatement of a terminated lease is granted under §3108.2 of this title and the authorized officer finds that the reinstatement will not afford the lessee a reasonable opportunity to continue operations under the lease, the authorized officer may extend the term of such lease for a period sufficient to give the lessee such an opportunity. Any extension shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (a) No extension shall exceed a period equal to the unexpired portion of the lease or any extension thereof remaining at the date of termination.
- (b) When the reinstatement occurs after the expiration of the term or extension thereof, the lease may be extended from the date the authorized officer grants the petition, but in no event for more than 2 years from the date the reinstatement is authorized and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities.

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§3107.7 Exchange leases: 20-year term.

Any lease which issued for a term of 20 years, or any renewal thereof, or which issued in exchange for a 20-year lease prior to August 8, 1946, may be exchanged for a new lease. Such new lease shall be issued for a primary term of 5 years. An application to exchange a lease for a new lease shall be filed, in triplicate, by the lessee at the proper BLM office, shall show full compliance by the applicant with the terms of the lease and applicable regulations, and shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of \$75. Execution of the exchange lease by the applicant is

certification of compliance with §3102.5 of this title.

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§3107.8 Renewal leases.

§3107.8-1 Requirements.

- (a) Twenty year leases and renewals thereof may be renewed for successive terms of 10 years. Any application for renewal of a lease shall be made by the lessee, and may be joined in or consented to by the operator. The application shall show whether all monies due the United States have been paid and whether operations under the lease have been conducted in compliance with the applicable regulations.
- (b) The applicant or his/her operator shall furnish, in triplicate, with the application for renewal, copies of all agreements not theretofore filed providing for overriding royalties or other payments out of production from the lease which will be in existence as of the date of its expiration.

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§3107.8-2 Application.

An application to renew shall be filed, in triplicate, in the proper BLM office at least 90 days, but not more than 6 months, prior to the expiration of its term and shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable filing fee of \$75.

§ 3107.8-3 Approval.

- (a) Copies of the renewal lease, in triplicate, dated the first day of the month following the month in which the original lease terminated, shall be forwarded to the lessee for execution. Upon receipt of the executed lease forms, which constitutes certification of compliance with §3102.5 of this title, and any required bond, the authorized officer shall execute the lease and deliver 1 copy to the lessee.
- (b) If overriding royalties and payments out of production or similar interests in excess of 5 percent of gross production constitute a burden to lease operations that will retard, or impair, or cause premature abandonment, the lease application shall be suspended